Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

1852.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Tuesday evening, the 7th September, A. D. 1852, R. A. M. 2382.

PRESENT:

M.E. and Rev. BENJ. HUNTOON,	Grand High Priest.
M.E. and Rev. STEPHEN LOVELL,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. SAMUEL MILLARD, . .	Grand King.
" HENRY EARL, . . .	Grand Scribe.
" ROBERT KEITH, . .	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN, .	Grand Secretary.
Comp. JOHN MCCLELLAN, . .	Gr. Captain of Host, *p. t.*
" GEORGE MOULTON, .	Gr. Principal Sojourner.
" SAMUEL W. GLEASON, .	Grand R. A. Captain, *p. t.*
" SAMUEL H. GREGORY, .	Gr. Master 3d Vail, *p. t.*
" SAMUEL JEPSON, . .	Grand Master 2d Vail.
" MARTIN W. LONG, . .	Grand Master 1st Vail.
" JOHN R. BRADFORD, .	Committee of Finance.

Permanent Member.—LUCIEN B. KEITH.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, Morning Star, St. Paul's, Mount Horeb, and Thomas.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter was opened in ample form, and the records of the last meeting read.

M.E. Comp. Bradford, in behalf of the Committee of Finance, submitted the following report, which was read and accepted, viz:

GRAND R. A. CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS,
BOSTON, 7th September, 1852.

The Committee of Finance of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, having examined the Grand Treasurer's account for the past year, now ask leave to submit the following report:

The Committee find there was a balance in the Treasury on the last settlement, the sum of . . .	$13 57
The Grand Treasurer has received from such of the Subordinate Chapters as have made returns, during the past year, the sum of	147 00
Of the Grand Secretary for diplomas, . . .	2 00
Making in the aggregate the sum of	$162 57
The Grand Treasurer has paid out during the same time the sum of	111 00
Leaving a balance in his hands of	51 57
	$162 57

The account of the Grand Treasurer is correctly kept and properly vouched, a copy of which is annexed and forms part of this report.

The Committee would recommend that the thanks of the Grand Chapter be presented to M.E. Comp. Keith for the acceptable manner in which he has discharged the duties of Grand Treasurer during the time he has held that office.

The Committee further recommend that the sum of fifteen dollars be paid to the Grand Secretary for his services the past Masonic year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN R. BRADFORD, *Committee of Finance.*

Voted to proceed to the choice of officers for the year ensuing. M.E. Comp. Huntoon, having served three successive years in the office of Grand High Priest, and not being a candidate for re-election, was requested to preside as chairman of the Committee of the whole.

E. Comps. Millard and Earl declined a re-election to the offices of Grand King and Grand Scribe, and E. Comp. Keith declined being a candidate for the office of Grand Treasurer.

Comps. Bradford, McClellan, and Jones, were appointed a Committee to collect, sort and count the votes, when the following officers were unanimously elected, viz:

M.E. and Rev. STEPHEN LOVELL, .	Grand High Priest.
M.E. TIMOTHY INGRAHAM, . . .	Dep. G. High Priest.
E. JOHN FLINT, . . .	Grand King.
" JONAS A. MARSHALL, . . .	Grand Scribe.
" PETER C. JONES, . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN, . . .	Grand Secretary.

The Committee of the whole then rose, and by their chairman, reported the foregoing elections, which were unanimously approved by the Grand Chapter.

M.E. Stephen Lovell was then duly and solemnly installed as Grand High Priest of the Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts, by his predecessor in office, M.E. Benj. Huntoon.

E. Peter C. Jones was installed as Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter, in due form, by the Grand High Priest.

The installation of the other officers was postponed to the next stated meeting.

Voted, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be presented to M.E. and Rev. Benj. Huntoon, Past Grand High

Priest, E. Samuel Millard, Past Grand King, E. Henry Earl, Past Grand Scribe, and E. Robert Keith, Past Grand Treasurer, for their faithful services in their respective offices, and their constant attendance upon the meetings of the Grand Chapter.

Comps. John McClellan, and Samuel W. Gleason, were appointed a Committee to settle with the Past Grand Treasurer, and receive from him the books, money, and all other property in his hands, belonging to this Grand Chapter, and deliver the same to Comp. Peter C. Jones, the present Grand Treasurer.

On motion of Comp. McClellan, it was *Voted*, That the sum of twenty dollars be paid to the Boston Masonic Board of Relief.

Part of a lecture was given on the Royal Arch degree, and the Grand Chapter closed in due form.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

The Charter of Washington Chapter, Salem, having been renewed, a new Charter was made out to the following companions, the petitioners therefor, viz:

Benj. F. Browne, Henry Whipple, Thomas Cole, Nathaniel Pitman, S. B. Buttrick, Stephens Baker, Jesse Smith, Mark Kimball, Jonathan Merrill, Samuel Simonds, and Andrew Nichols, bearing date the 7th September, A. L. 5852, and signed by the following Grand Officers, viz:

M.E. and Rev. Benj. Huntoon,	Grand High Priest.
M.E. and Rev. Stephen Lovell,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. Samuel Millard, . .	Grand King.
" Henry Earl, . . .	Grand Scribe.

Attest,

Thomas Waterman, *Grand Secretary.*

Officers of Washington Chapter, named in the above Charter, viz:

Samuel B. Buttrick, . .	High Priest.
Benjamin F. Browne, . .	King.
Jesse Smith, ...	Scribe.

The Chapter to take rank from the 15th January, 1812, that being the date of its consecration under the original Charter.

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Tuesday evening, 7th December, A. D. 1852, R. A. M. 2382.

Present:

M.E. and Rev. Stephen Lovell,	Grand High Priest.
M.E. Timothy Ingraham, .	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. John Flint, . . .	Grand King.
" Jonas A. Marshall, .	Grand Scribe.
Comp. John McClellan, . .	Grand Captain of the Host.
" William Ellison, .	Gr. Principal Sojourner.
" Prentiss Cushing, .	Grand R. A. Captain.
" James W. Crooks, .	Grand Master 3d Vail.
" Alonzo Andrews, .	Grand Master 2d Vail, *p. t.*
" Samuel Jepson, . .	Grand Master 1st Vail, *p. t.*

Rev. E. M. P. Wells,	Grand Chaplain.
Comp. Henry F. Durant, }	Grand Stewards.
" C. A. Walker, }	
" Peter C. Jones,	Grand Treasurer.
" Thomas Waterman,	Grand Secretary.
" Wm. C. Martin,	Grand Tyler.

Permanent Members.

John B. Hammatt,	John R. Bradford,
Edw'd A. Raymond,	Robert Keith.

The following Chapters were represented, viz: — St. Andrew's, Adoniram, Morning Star, St. Paul's, Mount Zion, Mount Horeb, and Thomas.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form at seven o'clock, and the records of the last meeting read.

Comp. John McClellan, in behalf of the Committee appointed at the last meeting, reported that the sum of $51.31 and sundry books and papers, had been received of Comp. Robert Keith, Past Grand Treasurer, and the same placed in the hands of Comp. Peter C. Jones, present Grand Treasurer, and this report was accepted.

M.E. Comp. Lovell, for the Committee on regalia, reported that the sum of $20 had been received for some articles of regalia disposed of; whereupon it was *Voted*, That the Committee be granted further time and be authorized to procure three new sashes for the use of the Grand Council.

Voted to proceed to the installation of the officers, when the following companions were duly installed by the M.E. Grand High Priest, viz:

M.E. Timothy Ingraham,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. John Flint,	Grand King.
" Jonas Marshall,	Grand Scribe.

The following appointments were then announced, and the officers severally and duly installed by the M.E. Deputy Grand High Priest, viz:

Comp. John McClellan,	Gr. Captain of the Host.
" William Ellison,	Grand Principal Sojourner,
" Prentiss Cushing,	Grand R. A. Captain.
" James W. Crooks,	Grand Master 3d Vail.
" Hollis Ball,	Grand Master 2d Vail.
" Robert H. Farrant,	Grand Master 1st Vail.
" Thomas Waterman, (Elected 7th September, 1852.)	Grand Secretary.
Rev. E. M. P. Wells, }	Grand Chaplains.
" W. R. Alger, }	
" Isaac Smith, of New Bedford. }	
Comp. Henry F. Durant, }	Grand Stewards.
" C. A. Walker, }	
" William C. Martin,	Grand Tyler.

The M.E. Grand High Priest was then pleased to appoint the following Committees, viz:

Comp. Edw'd A. Raymond, }	Committee of Finance.
" John R. Bradford, }	
" William Eaton, }	
" Thomas Waterman, }	Committee on Charity.
" Samuel Millard, }	
" George Moulton, }	

The usual proclamation was then made by the Grand Captain of the Host, and the lecture on the Mark degree given.

Voted, That the Grand Chapter be called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow morning at 9 1-2 o'clock, then to meet in this place for the purpose of instruction.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter met pursuant to the above vote, and was called from refreshment to labor and proceeded to rehearse the work and lectures on the four Chapter degrees, and closed in ample form at 5 o'clock, P. M.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

The following return was made to the M.E. General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States.

The Annual Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held in Boston, on Tuesday, the 7th day of September, A. D. 1852, when the following officers were unanimously elected, and on the 7th of December following, duly installed into their respective offices, viz:

M.E. and Rev. Stephen Lovell,	Grand High Priest.
M.E. Timothy Ingraham,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. John Flint,	Grand King.
" Jonas A. Marshall,	Grand Scribe.
" Peter C. Jones,	Grand Treasurer.
" Thomas Waterman,	Grand Secretary.

Chapters under the jurisdiction.

St. Andrew's,	Boston.
Adoniram,	New Bedford.
Morning Star,	Springfield.
St. Paul's,	Boston.
Mount Zion,	Stoughton.
Worcester,	Worcester.
Mount Horeb,	Lowell.
Sutton,	Sutton.
Thomas,	Fitchburg.

Northampton,	Northampton.
King Cyrus,	Newburyport.
Washington,	Salem.

Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts,
Boston, 10th December, 1852.

To Benj. B. French, Esq., *General Grand Sec'y of the General Grand R. A. Chapter of the United States, Washington, D. C.*

Dear Sir,—I herewith transmit a list of the officers of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, for the current Masonic year, and also a list of the Chapters under our jurisdiction.

I have the honor to be,

Respectfully and fraternally your ob't servant,

Thomas Waterman, *Grand Secretary.*

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Tuesday evening, the 8th of March, A. D. 1853, R. A. M. 2383.

Present:

M.E. and Rev. Stephen Lovell,	Grand High Priest.
M.E. Timothy Ingraham,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. John Flint,	Grand King.
" Jonas A. Marshall,	Grand Scribe.
Comp. John McClellan,	Grand Captain of the Host.
" Levi Bates,	Gr. Prin. Sojourner, *p. t.*
" Alonzo Andrews	Grand R. A. Captain, *p. t.*
" Joseph Bedlow,	Grand Master 3d Vail, *p. t.*
" A. Green,	Grand Master 2d Vail, *p. t.*
" Rob't H. Farrant,	Grand Master 1st Vail.
" Samuel Millard,	Grand Treasurer, *pro tem.*
" Thomas Waterman,	Grand Secretary.

Rev. E. M. P. Wells, . . Grand Chaplain.
Comp. C. A. Walker, . . Grand Steward.
" William Orin, . . Grand Steward, *pro tem.*
" William C. Martin, . Grand Tyler.

Permanent Members.

John B. Hammatt, Samuel Millard,
Chas. W. Moore, Robert Keith,
Henry Earl.

The following Chapters were represented, viz: —St. Andrew's Adoniram, St. Paul's, Mount Zion, Mount Horeb, Thomas, and Washington.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter was opened in ample form, and the record of the last meeting read.

The Committee on regalia, reported that one new sash and four new aprons had been procured for the use of the Grand Council, previous to the last stated meeting. The same Committee also reported, that in accordance with a vote passed at the last meeting of the Grand Chapter, three new sashes had been procured for the use aforesaid, the whole expense of which amounts to the sum of $46.50.

Voted, That the foregoing report be accepted, and the Committee discharged.

A petition was received from the members of Franklin Chapter, Greenfield, signed by T. Strong, John J. Pierce, Lucius Dickinson, James Anderson, Richard Colton, Jona. Belcher, H. G. Newcomb, Geo. Grinnell, Franklin Ripley, A. Phelps, and Benj. Hersey, praying that the Charter of said Chapter might be restored to them.

The petition having been read, it was *Voted*, That the same be referred to a Committee to consider and report thereon this evening. The chair appointed M.E. Comps.

Moore, Hammatt, and Keith, as members of such Committee. This Committee subsequently submitted the following report, which was read and unanimously accepted, viz:

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of eleven original members of the late Franklin Chapter, at Greenfield praying for the return of the Charter of said Chapter, surrendered in 1836, respectfully report:

That said Charter be returned to said petitioners, free of all other expense than the fee of the Grand Secretary for making the necessary endorsement.

Respectfully submitted.

Charles W. Moore,
John B. Hammatt, } *Committee.*
Robert Keith,

The lectures on the Mark and Royal Arch degree were given, after which, it was *Voted*, That the Grand Chapter be called from labor to refreshment until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Wednesday, March 9th. The Grand Chapter assembled agreeably to the above vote, and was called from refreshment to labor. The work and lectures on the several degrees appertaining to Royal Arch Masonry, were rehearsed and explained.

Washington Chapter, Salem, having requested the loan of certain portions of the regalia of St. Luke's Chapter, late of Marblehead, on motion, it was *Voted*, That the request be granted.

At 2 o'clock, P. M., the Grand Chapter closed in ample form.

Attest, THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

The following endorsement was made on the Charter of Franklin Chapter, at Greenfield, viz:

At a stated meeting of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, in Boston, on the 8th day of March, A. D. 1853, and of R. A. M. 2383, on the petition of Titus Strong, John J. Peirce, Lucius Dickinson, James Anderson, Richard Colton, Jona. Belcher, H. G. Newcomb, Geo. Grinnell, Franklin Ripley, A. Phelps, and Benj. Hersey, late members of Franklin Royal Arch Chapter, praying that the Charter of said Chapter may be restored to them, it was *Voted*, That the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and the companions aforesaid, are hereby authorized and empowered to organize said Chapter and resume their Masonic labors; at all times conforming to the Rules and Regulations of our said Grand Chapter.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN, *Grand Secretary.*

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Tuesday evening, 7th June, A. D. 1853, R. A. M. 2383.

PRESENT:

M.E. and Rev. STEPHEN LOVELL,	Grand High Priest.
E. JOHN B. HAMMATT, . .	Grand King, *pro tem.*
" JONAS A. MARSHALL, .	Grand Scribe.
Comp. JOHN MCCLELLAN, .	Grand Captain of the Host.
" WM. W. BAKER, . .	Gr. Prin. Sojourner, *p. t.*
" ALONZO ANDREWS, .	Grand R. A. Captain, *p. t.*
" JAMES W. CROOKS, .	Grand Master 3d Vail.
" LUCIEN B. KEITH, . .	Grand Master 2d Vail, *p. t.*
" SAMUEL H. GREGORY, .	Grand Master 1st Vail, *p. t.*
" ROBERT KEITH, . .	Grand Treasurer, *pro tem.*

Comp. THOMAS WATERMAN, .	Grand Secretary.
" WM. C. MARTIN, . .	Grand Tyler.

Permanent Member.—M.E. CHARLES W. MOORE.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, Adoniram, Morning Star, Mount Zion, and Franklin.

Visiter.—M.E. —— BROWN, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ohio.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form, and the record of the last meeting read.

A communication was received from Morning Star Lodge, Worcester, inviting this Grand Chapter to unite with that body in celebrating the Festival of St. John the Baptist, on the 24th inst., whereupon it was *Voted* to accept the invitation, and that the Grand Chapter will appear in a body on that occasion, with their appropriate regalia, and that all Royal Arch Masons be invited to join with them.

The Grand Secretary was directed to notify the Subordinate Chapters of the above vote.

In consequence of the triennial meeting of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, which is to be held in Lexington, Kentucky, in September next, and in order that the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts may be represented at the meeting aforesaid, it was *Voted*, That the annual meeting of this Grand Chapter which is to be held on the second Tuesday of September next, be then adjourned to the second Tuesday in October next, for the choice of officers and for such other business as may then come before it, and that due notice be given thereof.

Voted, That this Grand Chapter be represented by at least one of its officers, at the triennial meeting of the Gen-

eral Grand Chapter, at Lexington, Kentucky, in September next.

Franklin Chapter, at Greenfield, having requested the loan of certain articles of regalia now in possession of this Grand Chapter, M.E. Comps. Moore, R. Keith, and Martin, were appointed a Committee to take the subject into consideration and report thereon.

Comp. Moore, in behalf of the Committee subsequently, reported that the regalia formerly belonging to St. John's Chapter, at Groton, be loaned to Franklin Chapter, Greenfield, for the term of one year and six months, then to be returned to this Grand Chapter in as good condition as when they receive it, or it may be purchased by Franklin Chapter, at the expiration of the time aforesaid, at such price as may be placed upon the same by Comp. Martin, he being authorized to deliver it to a Committee of Franklin Chapter, provided that should St. John's Chapter hereafter require the regalia in question for their own necessary use as a working Chapter, then the same is to be returned. The foregoing report was unanimously accepted.

Part of a lecture was given on the Mark degree, and the Grand Chapter called from labor to refreshment until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wednesday, 8th June, 1853. The Grand Chapter assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., and was called from refreshment to labor. The work and lectures on the several degrees appertaining to Royal Arch Masonry were rehearsed and explained, and at 5 o'clock, P. M., the Grand Chapter was closed in ample form.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,

Grand Secretary.